

Docket No. 0041-0619-3



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Ryuichi ISHIKAWA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/160,581

GAU: 3724

2ND RCE April 28, 2003

EXAMINER: PRONE, J

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FOR: A METHOD FOR CUTTING AN OPTICAL FIBER

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

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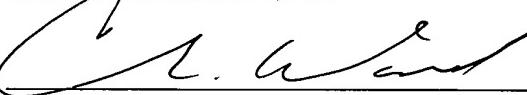
It is hereby requested that a three month extension of time be granted to July 30, 2004 for

- filing a response to the Official Action dated:
- responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due April 30, 2004 is filed herewith.
- filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$950.00 is enclosed herewith by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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